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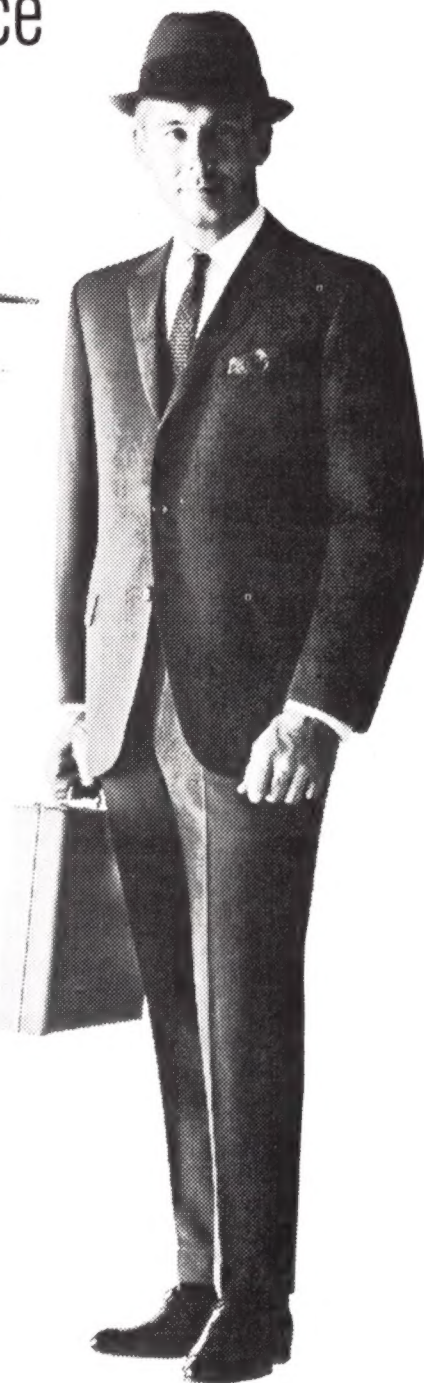
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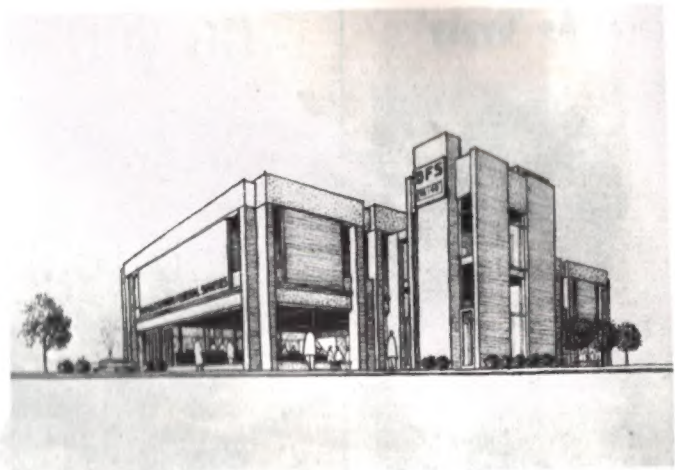
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Who digs our ribs like a two-edged sword  
From this deliver us, Good Lord.  
From the guy who sags in the trolley car  
Who stretches his legs like a fence crossbar  
And who saws our necks with the written word  
From this—deliver us, Good Lord.  
From the malice that breeds toward our kind  
From the bitter thought and the biased mind  
From envy and spite and the hasty word  
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Bowman's Hill Tower is almost blanked out with the beautiful trees. This is a delightful spot to visit anytime of the year, but especially nice in the spring.

## EDITORIAL COMMENT

### POLITICS — BUCKS COUNTY — 1963

We have said very little about politics in our fair county for some time, and now all we can say is WOW! This is a real banner year for politics here in Bucks.

To start with, nobody likes anybody. The nobodys and the anybodys are all running for election or re-election. The GOP Committee had supposedly picked all their candidates in advance of even the screening where candidates appear before them to tell their qualifications. Some Democrats accuse their party of the same thing. The split in both the Democratic and Republican Parties is even greater than before. John Welsh, Democratic County Chairman was acquitted on charges of macing, (considered by some a political smear by his enemies), and GOP Chairman Paul Beckert is under fire, and has offered to resign if a replacement could be found. (Mr. Beckert, incidently, is supposed to be the number one person in line for the position of Judge, should Harrisburg allocate another judgeship in Bucks County.)

Before the final chapter is written in November (or even the May Primary), a lot of name calling, name smearing, and political assassinations will take place. Get your programs for your favorite committeeman, cause let's face it, you can't tell the "goodies" from the "baddies" without a program!

### ROADS

So little has been done to our roads this spring that there is nothing but potholes (larger than before) and accidents to write about, so we won't say anything more. Only that our State Highway Department had better snap to, as we feel that a complete investigation of that department should be made! We'd like to know into whose pocket the road repair money is going, because it certainly isn't going into the roads!

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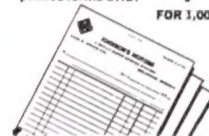
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(Photo courtesy Don Warner)

## Poetry Corner

### LENT

Now is the time to keep the  
Lent,  
And so, contrite and penitent  
I stand.  
I stand and think that I am  
good,  
Then see Perfection on the  
Rood.  
I bow.  
I bow and think I give my  
part.  
Then see that He has given His  
Heart.  
I kneel.  
I kneel and think I pray to  
Thee,  
Then hear the Petitioner for

me.  
I vow.  
I vow that I will learn to be  
Worthy of this Sacrifice for me.  
I must.

Julia Brashears Sharps

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Did you know that the Mercer Museum in Doylestown, built and designed by Dr. Henry Chapman Mercer in 1916 has been favorably compared to Frank Lloyd Wright's Guggenheim Museum in an article by an associate editor of PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE which may be read at the Library, Pine and Ashland Streets, Doylestown.

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# Rambling with Russ

by A. Russell Thomas

**NOT GUILTY . . . BUT:** Pernicious Pennsylvania judicial practice which enables a jury to put the costs on a person who is acquitted, should be abolished immediately. Acquitted of a charge of old-fashioned macing, which Republicans as well as Democrats, have been doing for years in politics, a Bucks County jury placed the costs of a \$2,105 trial on former Bucks County Commissioner John T. Welsh, a Democrat, and defendant in the trial. We are happy to know that former Commissioner Welsh, one of the most efficient and trust-worthy public servants that Bucks County ever had in the important office of county commissioner, was acquitted. But why the costs were placed on an acquitted man, is beyond all comprehension. As this column is being written, defense attorneys in the Welsh trial are appealing the jury's verdict so far as costs are concerned. As a Republican all my life, I am hoping that the court will disallow the jury's ruling, and I am quite sure that the eighty or more character witnesses for Johnny Welsh hope the same.

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**APRIL POTPOURRI:** Welcome home from honeymooning in Miami Beach, Florida, Bucks County Sheriff and Mrs. Harold Dando, now residents of Doylestown's North Main Street (best wishes to a grand couple). . . . Why try and reach the moon when it is next to impossible to make the trip from Doylestown to Willow Grove on Route 611, on land. . . . Things don't look too rosy for the merchants who operate their places of business along D'Town's State Street between the Catholic and Baptist Churches, while the street is being widened and resurfaced to keep up with progress." . . . One of the sad sights this past winter in D-Town was the numerous parking meters looking cold and penniless. . . . A friend of mine overheard a well-known Court House character telling a local politician that it would be an appropriate time for the Democrat Party and the Republican Party in Bucks County to marry, if it were not for the possibility that a "Third Party" might be born. . . . The two best summations to a Bucks County jury that I heard in March were made by District Attorney Paul R. Beckert (for the prosecution) and William Murphy Power, for the defense, in "The Trial Of The Month—Welsh Case." . . . Never before in the history of good old Bucks County have there been two women running in a primary election for Clerk of Quarter Sessions Court. . . . It still takes a very exceptionally developed pair of ears to hear what's going on in Court Room No. 1, in our \$3,500,000 judicial wing, unless the recently installed loud-speaker system is in operation. . . . Someone goofed when the acoustics were planned for that courtroom.

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**FLOWER SHOW WINNERS:** Bucks County growers again scored high in the recent Philadelphia Flower Show. Delaware Valley College won top honors with "The Atrium" in the open garden section; Pitzonka's Nurseries, Inc., Bristol, took a coveted honor in the open garden section with "Can Spring Be Far Behind" display. In the commercial carnation competition, the Peter Hellberg Company, Chalfont, carried away top honors. Andre Greenhouses, Doylestown and Southampton, outclassed all others in the hybrid Floribundas class and the cut rose commercial section. Frank Grau, of Doylestown, won top honors in the open orchid section while the famous Ludwig Fetzner, of Hartsville, again carried away top scoring with his orchids.

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**"Neither a borrower  
nor a lender be."**

(Act 1, Scene 111 — "Hamlet".)

Some famous advice from old Polonius to his son, Laertes. But 12th Century Denmark is a long way from 20th Century Bucks County. In this day and age, wise and timely borrowing is sound economics. The Doylestown Trust Company (with all due respect to Mr. Shakespeare) is proud to be a "lender" because we have helped so many people in so many ways. (And unlike Hamlet, we don't hesitate to act on any worthwhile request).

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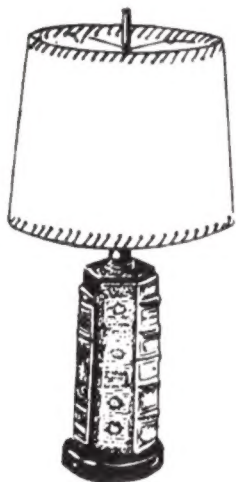


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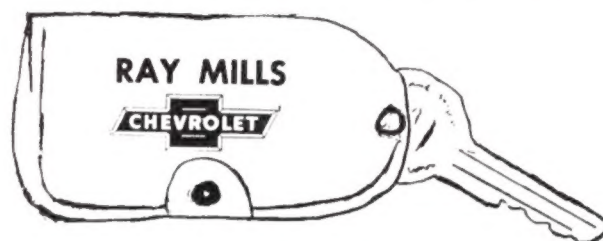
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Stephen Foster, America's most famous composer of folk songs, was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He lived at one time in the Endless Mountains section of Pennsylvania (Bradford County) where he attended Athens Academy at Athens. The nearby village of Camptown (five miles north of Wyalusing) was the inspiration for his song the "Camptown Races." One of the finest buildings in his honor is the Foster Memorial on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh.

Lycoming County led the state last year in number of bears harvested by hunters with a total of 37 during the one-week season. Also in the top five counties during the 1961 bear season were Clinton (21), Monroe and Pike (20 each) and Elk (19). Total harvest last year was 237.

Everyone is a moon, and has a dark side which he never shows to anybody. — Mark Twain

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# The Publisher's Column

## SOVIET PROPAGANDA — DOES IT WORK?

As we Americans sit in our living rooms watching TV, shop at our modern supermarkets, drive our "big cars" to work, and more or less stay wrapped up in our own little worlds, what is happening around us? We hear on the radio that Russia has launched another rocket, that the Reds have just announced that Stanislav Popov was the real inventor of baseball in Russia in 1734 and other such examples of current Russian activities. We smile, and go about our daily tasks, and let the people in Washington worry about it.

The Russians are conducting the greatest propaganda war ever staged, and it is having its effect through out the world. There are two basic themes to this propaganda. One is pointing out what the Communist regime has done for the Russian people, and the other is the great scientific advancements the Russian Scientists have made.

In today's world, with the "Atomic War of Nerves", the basic needs of life or Security, and the feeling of wanting to be on the "winning side" in any future clash of power, are the two driving factors that determine one's allies. This is quite a natural reaction, and the Russians are utilizing these factors most effectively in Europe today.

One must consider for a moment why Europeans feel as they do. Most European countries are not wealthy and do not have the high standard of living such as we enjoy in America today. They consider Americans as very wealthy people, who have no brains, just money. On the other hand, Russia, being partly a European nation, and also in the throes of "pulling herself up by the bootstraps", gives off the feeling of being in the boat with the western Europeans.

The feeling of "oneness" is being used with great effect by the Russians. Sure, the Russians have the butchering in Hungary to live down, but we have the Faubus-Little Rock and other such segregation incidents to live down. Therefore, both the US and Russia have their bad points in the eyes of many Europeans.

The main difference is that the belief that the US is the land of opportunity with the streets paved with gold as opposed to the Russian Siberia or Nazism all over again.

How do the Russians approach propaganda? Basically the same way we do, only they have a better opportunity to propagandize the free world than we have behind the iron curtain. Definite "Madison Avenue Tactics" are utilized. Billboards heralding, "With the Communists, you get . . .", the Soviet Radio, books, leaflets, magazines, all paint a rosy picture of life "with the Communists". In my travels I have picked up some leaflets that the Communist propaganda machines have turned out and excerpts are presented here for your study. **SPACE AGE:** In a leaflet entitled, "Facing the Cosmos", the following information is headlined under pictures of The Sputnik:

"Here it is, the FIRST artificial satellite in the world . . . Centuries may pass but the image of the Soviet Union's Sputnik will remain in the minds of men, because, it was FIRST!"

"On October 4, 1957, the world witnessed an event that can be compared only with subjugation of fire or the mastery of the Atom - Man penetrated the Cosmos! In the Soviet Union, the FIRST artificial satellite was launched, and began to move in it's orbit."

**PROGRESS:** "Comparisons of achievements made in different countries are always interesting and revealing. We do not object to comparison. But, we do want to call attention to the following: In pre-revolutionary Russia, the economic level was far lower than in most the western countries. The living standard was appalling. There were shortages of the most vital commodities. Education and culture were with in reach of only a few. This must be borne in mind today if you want a fair appraisal of what the Soviet Union has achieved in raising the living and cultural standards of the people and assess what the past 40 years (under the Communists) have meant to the country.

"But let us go back to compari-

sons. The Soviet Union has outstripped the European countries and is a close second to the United States in the production of key products. Science, education, and the training of scientific and technical personnel in the Soviet Union have made greater progress than the United States. Thus, our COLLEGES NOW GRADUATE NEARLY THREE TIMES MORE ENGINEERS THAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS OF THE USA! **UNEMPLOYMENT:** "It is common knowledge that every Soviet citizen is guaranteed the right to work. The country's growing economy needs more and more hands. Unemployment has long been stamped out . . . and for good. In our country (Russia) people no longer have to worry about the source of livelihood." **POPULATION:** "WE ARE VERY FOND OF CHILDREN". The population of the Soviet Union has increased by more than 16 million in the last five years, which exceeds the aggregate population of Sweden, Norway and Finland."

**INCOMES:** "The incomes of the Soviet people rise from year to year. Prices are falling, and each family can buy more. Shop assistants have their hands full. In 1957 consumption was greater than in 1940, the richest and most plentiful pre-war year. The amount of goods which in 1947 cost 1,000 rubles, can now be bought for 433 rubles."

**SOCIAL BENEFITS:** "Everyone has cares. And it's good to know that in most of them — the vital ones at that — one gets a helping hand from the state. The state pays gigantic sums (nearly one third of the total budget expenditure to provide its citizens with Social Benefits, including social insurance, allowances, pensions, and other free facilities paid over and above their wages."

**PUBLIC HEALTH:** "People are still liable to fall ill. They go to a doctor. His advice and assistance, good nourishment, good care, and drugs are provided cost free by the Soviet government. The average life span in the USSR is now 67 years, or more than double that of old Russia."

**WORKING HOURS:** In the

USSR the working day is being reduced. Quite recently it was eight hours. Now it is being reduced to seven, and in some industries to six. Wages are not affected. Production is mounting."

**EDUCATION:** "50 MILLION ENGAGED IN STUDIES. In the 1956-57 academic year 50.4 million citizens engaged in studies in the USSR. This means that every fourth citizen was bettering himself. Four times as many students attend the countrys (Russia's) 767 institutes as in England, France, Italy and Federal Germany taken together.

"It is quite hard to pick the right yardstick to measure the level of scientific development. But now the first earth satellites launched in the Soviet Union, have climbed far into space. The height they have attained — and this everybody sees with their own eyes — speaks of the unprecedentedly high scientific level achieved in the USSR."

This is how the Communists are "selling Communism" to Europeans. All of the previous mentioned phrases are direct quotes from the Russian propaganda. Sounds good, doesn't it? In any circumstances other than our way of life in the United States wouldn't this appeal to you? Wouldn't these "promises" for a better life cause you to think twice? There is one thing that is overlooked in all this glory that the U.S.S.R. preaches. That is the one basic need of all people, no matter what financial status or what educational level they have attained, — that need of Freedom. As long as we in the United States "show the way" with Freedom, the Russian Communist propaganda mills can print day and nite, and the words are just as worthless as the promises they make. But, still, as a Frenchman told me, "It sounds good, doesn't it monsieur."

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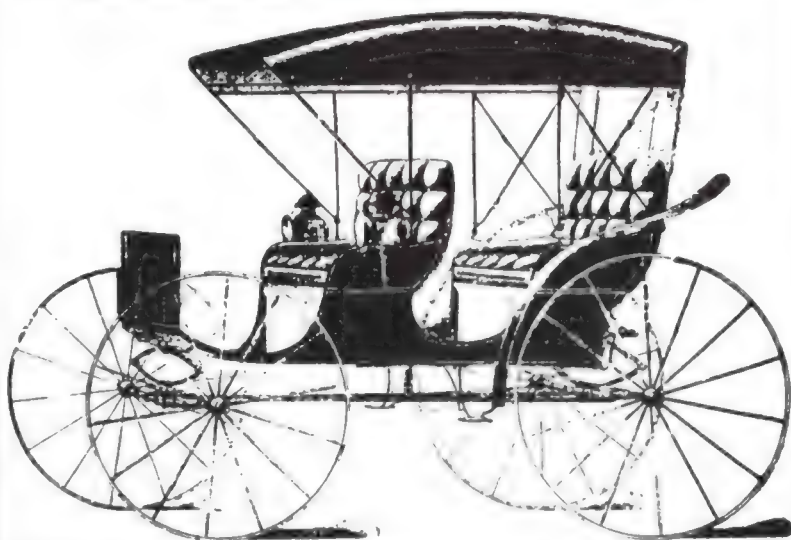
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by

**Helen Rowe**



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Coaches and carriages had been in existence for centuries in Europe, but it took America to teach the world how to make a lightweight yet rugged vehicle. Before the turn of the century, when American carriage industry reached its peak both in quality and quantity, this country was shipping all over the world. There were over 700 manufacturers who held membership in the Carriage Builders National Association. During this time, Studebaker Co. was credited with producing "a wagon every 5 minutes of the working day!"





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An Indianapolis firm produced over 200,000 road carts a year! One Milwaukee company made 7,000 sleighs in a single season! Surprising mass production figures!

The streets of cities were flowing with expensive victorias, broughams, landaus, 2-wheeled phaetons, surreys, etc. Individual firms gave their own names to their own stylings, just as automobile manufacturers do today. Each carriage maker had a minor variation in design, such as the location of the seat, the top, the fenders, the dashboard, springs, etc. To each model he produced he gave a trade name to gain distinction, such as "the landalette", or "the victoria". Basically the vehicles ran in several basic styles of carriage, buggy or wagon etc.

The most famous coach of the day was the Concord coach, made in Concord, New Hampshire. Abbot-Downing made the heavy Concord coaches used all over the west for mail and passenger travel. They were models of excellence, looking in appearance very much like the English coach. They possessed an ample body, almost egg-shaped in their tri-dimensional

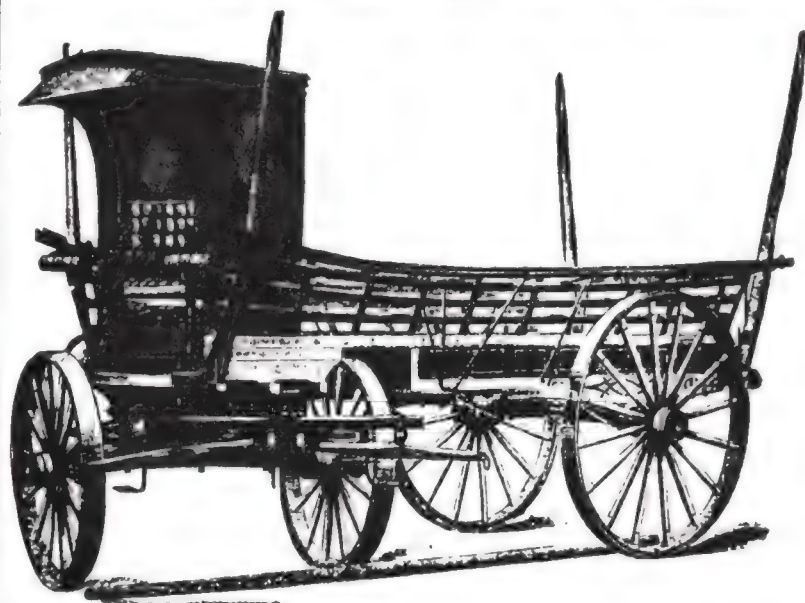
curves . . . a fine piece of joinery. The coach rested upon two lengthwise "thorough-braces" which helped absorb the shocks of rough roads which otherwise would adversely affect the six-horse team. The coaches weighed 2500 lbs. and cost \$1250 up. They carried nine passengers inside and as many more as could cling to the roof! Ads for the Concord coach ran in papers all over the world. "The use of our coaches and wagons on all the Mail routes in America and the English colonies for many years, is a guarantee of their superiority", . . . so said the ads. Africa, for one, amply subscribed . . . the Concord coach was widely used on that continent.

Ads for local carriage manufacturers filled the local papers of Bucks County, too. Two outstanding carriage firms were the Aaron Kratz company in Plumsteadville and the Randall Carriage Factory in Newtown. Kratz built a thriving business that kept scores of workers busy in his plant. The Randall company, built in 1857 by J.V. and W. Randall, was one of the most important businesses of the day. Two sales were con-

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## PLUMSTEADVILLE CARRIAGE, WAGON & HARNESS WORKS

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His name sold newspapers. His credo made one big headline — GRUNDYISM. His ideals and principles were uncompromising and misunderstood. His loyalty to his home town resembled fetishism. His ambitions vaulted skyward — but some say his cause was lost along the way.

Was it? Was Joseph R. Grundy of Bristol, Pennsylvania — Lobbyist, Manufacturer, Financier, Businessman, Senator, "maker of Kings" and Philanthropist — as controversial as the publicity would have us believe? Or was he just a man in love with duty. A man who once said, "If a man doesn't take pride in his home town, he isn't likely to give a rap for his country".

"Uncle Joe" Grundy prepared early to make those words his living legend.

He was born in Camden, New Jersey, in 1863. He died in 1961 of hardening of the arteries, at his winter home in the Bahamas — at the age of 98. He lived his life in Bristol — at "Walnut Grove Farm" on the Neshaminy Creek — and as a small boy waded across at low tide.

He was educated in the public schools of Philadelphia, and entered Swarthmore College. His graduation was set for 1880. But there was too much else to do — a world to see, a fortune to make, a town to build. He was impatient. A young man in a hurry. Graduation and Joe Grundy never saw eye to eye.

He found employment with Grundy Brothers and Campion, Manufacturers of worsted wool, of which his father was a partner. By 1887, Grundy had been admitted to partnership.

When his father died in 1920, Grundy became president of the firm.

In 1910, Grundy founded the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association and set in motion the wheels that would carry his legend along. He unequivocally declared "that anything that is good for the producing interests in Pennsylvania, whether it is a mill, a mine or a farm, is good for the whole state, is good for the United States".

He was vitally interested in banking and finance and was identified with it for half a century.

A member of the Bucks County Advisory Board of the Fidelity - Philadelphia Trust Company, he was also Chairman of the Board of the Farmers National Bank and president from 1918 to 1947. Interested in the Philadelphia National Bank, he was noted once as saying,

"because this area is growing so rapidly, more banking facilities and specialized services are needed on a full time basis. They can be offered only through the larger banks,"

Although active in many diversified fields, politics was his most constant endeavor.

Schooled in the intricacies of political life by his father, he entered the political arena at 21 — and for more than half a century dominated the Bristol, Bucks County and Pennsylvania political scene.

The fledgling politician tried his wings as member of the Bristol Borough Council. During his tenure, he became an outspoken lobbyist on Capitol Hill and a champion of industrial rights.

He was a delegate to many national conventions. In 1920,

he was one of a small group which brought the nomination of Warren G. Harding of Ohio as the Republican party's compromise candidate for President.

Grundy had reached his pinnacle of power. And from his perch, he overseered his kingdom for thirty-five years.

He was a man of absolute loyalty to his friends — if they deserved that loyalty. If undeserving, they didn't remain his friends for long. To his enemies, his stringent attitudes on anything inconsistent with his principles caused him to be hated and feared.

The Grundy creed was conservatism. He became its apostle. He had an unswerving belief in the absolute right of industrial czars.

Essentially, his creed stood for the development of industry with special emphasis on the welfare of those manufacturing concerns within the commonwealth of Grundy's Pennsylvania.

For this development — low taxes so that industry would be encouraged and high protective tariffs at the national level.

But liberal elements placed themselves upon the scene. They made "Grundyism" a synonym for "Bossism" and a dirty word. Like all dirty words, this one hung around for awhile — about a quarter of a century.

But Grundy, who wore a hearing aid in his later years, turned a deaf ear to his detractors and hammered out his case for conservatism and his strategy for political wars — not to mention funds for campaigns.

In 1929, "Uncle Joe" became a Senator.

He was appointed by Governor John S. Fisher, taking a

seat denied by the Senate to William S. Vare, who had been elected in 1926. Vare was barred by the Senate for alleged excessive political expenditures.

Senator Grundy's service was brief. He was defeated in the 1930 GOP primary by James J. Davis. Davis had been Secretary of Labor under President Hoover and was supported by Vare interests.

Senator Grundy was often bitterly attacked by his opposition. They accused him of being against child labor laws, unemployment insurance, workmen's compensation and other social benefits.

Political moguls twisted Grundy's candid statements into epitaphs. Grundy, impervious, built another bridge each time one was dynamited beneath him.

His influence on the political scene began to ebb when he suffered a crushing defeat at the hands of US Senator James H. Duff, Republican of Pennsylvania. Duff had previously defied the Grundy political organization and in 1950, won the GOP primary Senatorial campaign despite Grundy opposition.

But the man behind the name was a man behind a town — Bristol, Pennsylvania.

Grundy was at home best with the folks of his home town. Although a guiding force in the Republican party for many years, his image will remain that much longer in the town he helped to create.

Because of fierce pride and interest in his community, he financed a municipal building, a modern fire department, public schools and highways.

His donations to local chari-

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# Joseph Grundy . . .

## Myth or Monarch

by

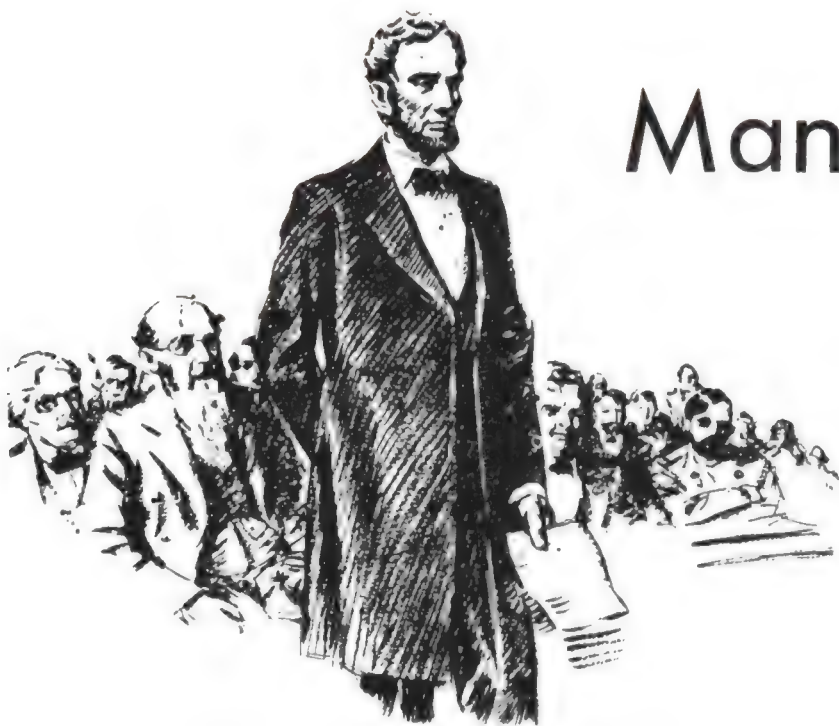
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*The late Senator Grundy (seated left) is seen here in this photo taken at a dinner at The Fountain House Inn, Doylestown in the early 1950s. With Senator Grundy is (seated right) Senator Everett Dirkson, and standing are The late Senator Edward B. Watson and Pipersville's Bob Brugger. (Photo Courtesy Warren Watson)*





# Man With A Mission

by

Adi-Kent Thomas Jeffrey

Abraham Lincoln once declared "The purposes of the Almighty are perfect and must prevail". He later said of himself "I hold myself... as an instrument of Providence."

These truths were evident even before he was born.

His grandfather, the first Abraham Lincoln, was working in a Kentucky wilderness with his three sons, felling trees when he was shot down by an Indian. The youngest son, Tom, stood rooted in horror by his father's body. The middle son ran for help from the stockade while Mordecai, the eldest, made it back to their cabin like a bolt of lightning and grabbed his father's gun. He raised it, aimed and fired just at the precise moment an Indian in full war paint had reached out to kill Tom. Mordecai's dead strike killed the Indian straight to the heart. Six-year old Tom ran to join his brother in the cabin where Mordecai single-handedly held off the rest of the attacking Indians until help came from the stockade.

Mordecai grew up to be an Indian-hunter. He spent his days stalking and killing Indians wherever he could find them in a lifetime devoted to vengeance for his father's murder.

Tom grew up to a wandering aimless manhood. But his purpose, unknown to him, was great... he married a sweet girl named Nancy Hanks and they had a son, a second child whom they named after Tom's martyred father... Abraham Lincoln the Second.

How did the Indian's murder of his own grandfather affect Lincoln?

During the Black Hawk War in 1831 when 22 years old Lincoln came upon his men beating a red man and about ready to hoist him to a tree limb, he sprang into their midst and swung his long arms about. "Fall back men! Fall back!" he ordered. The Indian held out a shivering aged hand. In it was a pass.

"He's nothin' but a spy, Cap'n... a red devil spy..." The men looked from their captain back to each other's faces. "He deserves to hang. There ain't only one good kind o' Indian an' that's a dead one!"

Lincoln's grey eyes blazed deep. "I said to let him go."

"Say Cap'n... that ain't fair. We know what we're doin'..."

The men took a step closer to the Indian.

Lincoln stretched to his full six feet, four inches height.

"If you want to hurt someone, take it out on me. I'll fight every man of you, before I'll let you touch this helpless Indian!"

The big captain's challenge went unaccepted. The Indian was freed. One of the men of that day telling of the incident said Lincoln saved the life of an Indian at a time when bitter enmity existed between the settler and the red man. His defensive stand for the Indian could have cost him his life. Lincoln never thought of this act as heroic, nor unusual in the light of his background or his uncle's lifetime path of vengeance. It was the necessary act for humanity and justice for which Abraham Lincoln was ever ready to lay down his life.

In addition to the injustice done the Indian in our land, an even more flagrant injustice haunted Lincoln from his youth. As a teenager when he worked a flatboat down the Mississippi he came upon a slave auction in New Orleans. The oiled black skins hurt his eyes. The rattle of the slaves' chains hurt his ears. The whole scene of man's inhumanity to man blazed into his young

mind. He turned to his companion, John Hanks, with a vow that he never forgot. "John, if I ever get a chance to hit this thing... I'll hit it hard!"

This vow became Abraham Lincoln's unrelenting goal. It became his blazing God-sent mission in life.

In an early speech made in Springfield during the Harrison Presidential campaign, 31 year-old Lincoln voiced this vow publicly. "Here, without contemplating consequences, before Heaven, and in the face of the world, I swear eternal fidelity to the just cause, as I deem it..."

Eighteen years later in the same city Lincoln took his next courageous stand for right. At the close of the Republican State Convention which nominated him for the

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# SPRING



*A Spring Preview of Easter Clothes  
as featured in the Bucks County Shops*

by  
**Peggy Gehoe**

(Photos by Richard Kaplinski)



Easter is a wonderful time of the year for everyone, but for ladies of all ages, it means a time for a new hat. Just a few of **MABEL KELLER'S** exciting new collection are shown here.



Popular with the girls this spring is the Gaucho style, borrowed from our South American neighbors. Mrs. Keller's lovely granddaughter, Nicki Hartzel of Central Bucks High School chooses hers in a rough red straw, with matching grosgrain bow. (\$7.95).



To compliment her lovely white hair, Mrs. Keller wears a high crowned feminine style, covered entirely in blue flowers with a small straw braid brim and blue velvet trim. (\$11.95).



Women have always been partial to the picture-hat style and Mrs. Ada Houck of Doylestown selected hers in a broad brimmed black straw, with black velvet band and trimmed with a delicate pink silk rose. (\$16.95).





(above)

Jewel Renner really sets off the Bucks County Panoramic mural at Conti's Inn, in a three piece outfit by Nan Wynn, in middle blue from **The VOGUE SHOPPE'S** Spring Collection. It has a mandarin collar on the short jacket, a beige print over-blouse with string tie, jewel neck and capped sleeves. The skirt is straight with a kick pleat in back. (\$19.95). The outfit is completed with a navy blue purse (\$5.95) and gloves (\$3.95).

(above, right)

For luncheon "with the girls," Jewel is smart in this black linen-like dress by Nan Wynn from **The VOGUE SHOPPE'S**. The voluminous silk sleeves are white with large black coin dots. The 2 piece dress features a sleeveless cropped top that buttons down the back. (\$14.95). The "little girl" black Breton sailor hat is of rough straw (\$5.95). The bag is black with tortoise shell trim (\$5.95). Gloves, (\$3.95).

(right)

Dinner at Six, and Jewel wears a lush white wool suit with leopard trim, by Natalie Green from **The VOGUE SHOPPE'S** Spring Collection. It has the new short packet, double breasted and flap pockets (\$39.95). Her hat is a 'vision of spring' in peach tulle with an orange velvet band and set off by a lovely orange silk rose (\$5.95). Gloves (\$3.95)

The setting for these photos is the historic **CONTI CROSS KEYS INN**.







Showing all the sparkle and vitality of youth and spring, Bonnie Brown wears the newest style for spring '63 . . . a three piece cape suit from the **Carriage House**, Doylestown. Her version is a pink wool crepe lined in a pastel silk print that matches the blouse. The blouse has short sleeves and a bow tie neck. A straight skirt beautifully sets off the rippling cape. Sizes 7 to 15. (\$54.98)

For the tailored sophisticate, Mrs. Samuel Willard (at right) models a two piece ensemble of textured silk tweed from the **Carriage House**, Doylestown. The two-tone effect is achieved from the brown binding trim on the fully lined beige coat. The sheath dress has a brown shantung top with scoop neck and cap sleeves. The straight skirt matches the beige tweed coat. Sizes 12 to 18. (\$34.98)

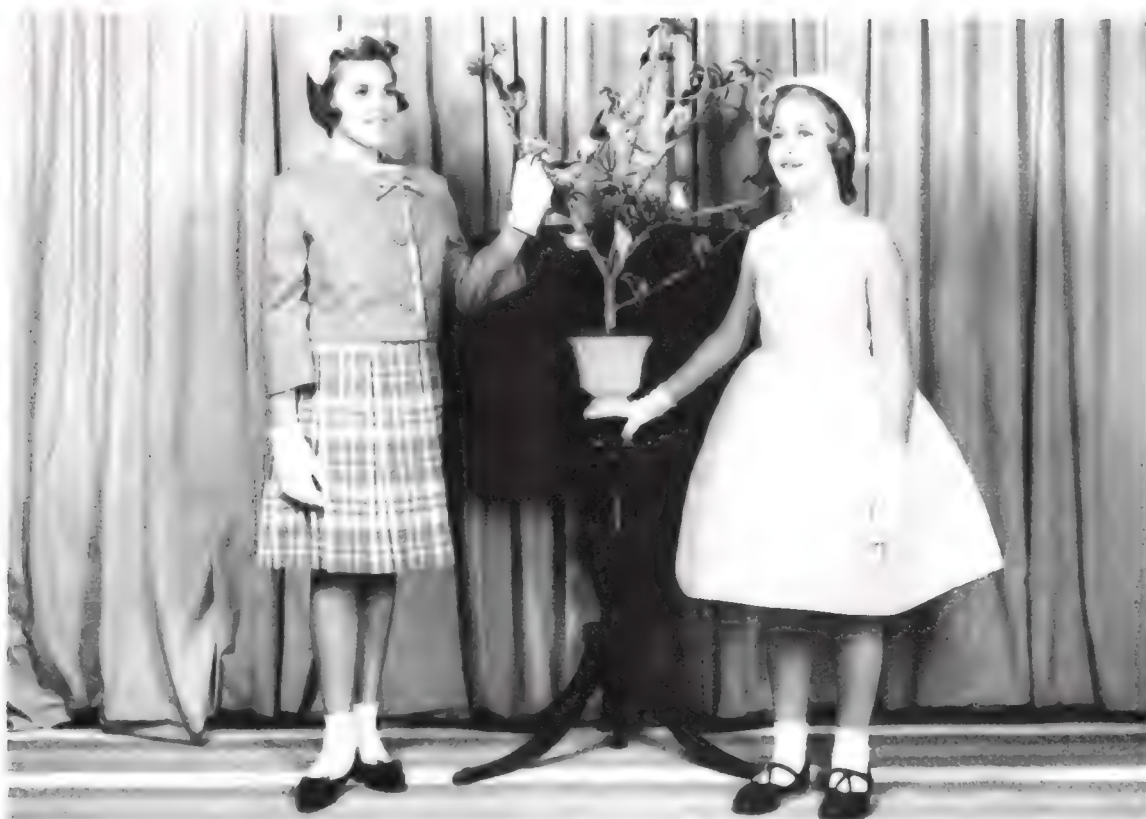




For church or visiting, Mrs. James Gibbons of New Britain (right) selected this lovely lime wool 3-piece suit from **MUSSELMAN'S** suit department. It has "the Chanel look" in the straight collarless jacket that is striking with three graduated shades of lime on the jacket front. A matching over-blouse has a soft rolled collar with a looped tie (\$35.00). Her wisp of a hat is a beige circlet with matching rose and veil (\$2.98). The bag is bone leather (\$8.98). The gloves are in beige (\$3.00). (Plant courtesy Elble Florist.)

The Easter Scene is never complete without new outfits for the young girls. Below, Joan and Judy Klumpp are showing their Easter Outfits from **MUSSELMAN'S** Girls' Department. Joan (left) is wearing a coral and white plaid suit with a cartigan jacket and pleated skirt (\$13.98). Her outfit is completed with a flowered hat band (\$1.98) and shortie white gloves (\$1.00).

Younger sister Judy is strictly feminine in pink and white. Her dress is a "Lilly Bee" from **MUSSELMAN'S**. The blouse of the dress is a delicate pink, with a full white skirt, bordered in pink and white lace (\$7.98). Judy's Easter Bonnet is a white rough straw, finished with a pink velvet band and streamers (\$2.98). Gloves (\$1.00). (Bird tree courtesy ELBLE FLORIST, New Britain. Photos by James Barlow.)







Judy Smith (above) is ready to order Easter dinner at CONTI'S INN. She is charming in a gay, red wool bouclé suit from **ELY'S DRESS SHOP**, Doylestown. The suit is flattering with the new short length fitted jacket, and a pert winged collar, accented by the matching looped tie. The skirt is pencil slim. She wears it with a small black box bag and black shortie gloves, one button length.

This spring's most popular color is PINK . . . and here Jewel Renner looking blonde and delicate, wears a pink wool coat by Natalie Green from **The VOGUE SHOPPE**, Perkasie and Doylestown. It features the new dropped self-inserted belt style, reminiscent of a bygone era (\$35.00). Black ruching cover hat (\$5.95), Black marshmallow bag (\$5.95) and gloves (\$3.95).



The setting for these photos is the historic **CONTI CROSS KEYS INN**.



Something "for the boys" from **MUSSELMAN'S** Boys' Department, is the ever popular wool blazer. Steve Klumpp (right), a Lenape Jr. High School student selected his in black with brass buttons (\$14.98) and paired them with grey flannel slacks (\$5.98). (Photo by James Barlow.)

Below, Doug Sanders of Lenape Junior High School sports a Botany sport coat and tapered slack set from **ELY'S BOYS' DEPARTMENT**. The coat is in a small green, blue and black plaid, Dacron and cotton wash and wear. It is complimented by the charcoal black, tapered slacks that also are wash and wear. The coat is available in sizes 12 to 20 (\$19.95) and the slacks come in sizes 12 to 20 (\$6.95).

For the young men-about-town John Rudolph (bottom right) has selected a charcoal brown sports coat by Campus from **RUDOLPH'S** of Doylestown. It is a subdued muted plaid of blue and copper (\$18.95). The tapered look is featured in the dacron and cotton slacks he wears with the coat (\$5.95). Over his arm, he carries one of the new rain or shine coats, strictly tailored in style with a gay plaid lining (\$14.95).





# The Accent's on Shoes



The small mid-heel is gaining in popularity with all women and here is a soft bone colored Natural Bridge Shoe with matching grograin trim (\$12.95.) Shown with it is a matching purse in the luxurious Marshmallow that resists scratches and scuffing. (\$3.41 Tax Incl.)



The black patent leather is always a first sign of spring for women and here is a new version with side interest and grograin ribbon whipped around the vamp. (\$6.95)



Patina is easy to care for and the colors lend a new hue to shoes. This style is in three graduated shades of beige to tan.



For the most in comfort and style, the older girls and women will choose this bone colored flat by Ki-Yaks. (\$7.99.)





The gleaming black patent leather 'Mary Jane' style for the little ladies has traditionally completed their outfits. **Nyce's Shoe Store** this one by Edwards. (\$7.99.)



Mothers may prefer this saddle type oxford for the little girls and this is a good suit-shoe for the little ones in two-toned tan by Polly-Parrot. (\$6.99.)



For the men, we see Nunn-Bush in a circular tip, Darwin brown leather dress shoe (\$19.95.)



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## Man With A Mission

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United States Senate, he delivered the famous "House Divided Speech". He said, "A house divided against itself cannot stand. I believe this government cannot endure permanently half slave and half free... It will become all one thing, or all the other."

His words aroused the people like a fireball at midnight. His constituents warned he had tolled his death knell. A close friend, Dr. Long said, "Well, Lincoln, that foolish speech will kill you... will defeat you for all offices for all time to come." Lincoln replied, "If I had to draw a pen across and erase my whole life from existence, and I had one poor gift or choice left, as to what I should save from the wreck, I should choose that speech, and leave it to the world unerasable." Assailed by friends at Bloomington, Illinois, he responded firmly, "You may think that speech was a mistake; but I have never believed it was, and you will see the day when you will consider it the wisest thing I ever did."

Shortly after the earth-rocking speech, Lincoln came out publicly in its defense. "Friends," he said, "I have thought about this matter a great deal, have weighed the question well from all corners, and am thoroughly convinced the time has come when it should be uttered; and if it must be that I must go down because of this speech, then let me go down linked to truth... die in the advocacy of what is right and just. This nation cannot live on injustice. 'A house divided against itself cannot stand', I say again and again." Lincoln lost the election. His opponent, Stephen A. Douglas was reelected to the senatorship.

But two years later there followed the convention of 1860 and the nomination of Abraham Lincoln as candidate for the presidency of the United States. Douglas lost and Lincoln won the greatest prize of all. As Judah P. Benjamin, the famous Southern senator put it, "(Lincoln) stood upon principle, and was beaten; and lo, he is the candidate of a mighty party for the presidency of the United States..."

In a campaign speech in the State House at Springfield later on, Lincoln presented the foundation on which he was to build his future office of the

presidency. It was a wholly spiritual foundation cemented and reinforced with faith, courage, love and an unwavering sense of a mission to perform. "I know there is a God, and that He hates injustice and slavery. I see the storm coming, and I know that His hand is in it. If He has a place and work for me, — and I think He has, — I believe I am ready."

Over a year later, as President of the United States, Lincoln told the Senate Chamber at Trenton, New Jersey, "... I am exceedingly anxious that this Union, the Constitution, and the liberties of the people shall be perpetuated... I shall be most happy, indeed, if I shall be an humble instrument in the hands of the Almighty... for perpetuating the object of the great struggle."

A great struggle it was. The first two years of the war were dark for the North. One military defeat after another. At home, Lincoln was assailed by elements for and against slavery. The issue was multi-sided; the pressures manifold; the repercussions universal. He knew the effects of abolished slavery would be felt in the counting rooms of New York; the mills of Lowell, the looms of France... even as far away as in India and Australia... all whose very existence depended upon slave labor.

Yet, Lincoln could not divert from the compelling command he forever heard, "Let my people go!" He began to formulate an Emancipation Proclamation. When to release it? He did not quite know for sure. These were the days the lifeguard in the White House used to see the president reading the Bible in the early morning hours long before others were up; and on his knees in agony of prayer at night, long after others had retired. Lincoln later wrote, "I have been driven many times to my knees because I had nowhere else to go."

The war went blacker. The rebel army was at Frederick, Maryland, edging into Pennsylvania. Lincoln then made a pact with God. If the Confederates would be driven back from the borders of Pennsylvania, he would issue the Proclamation of Emancipation! This vow, he made despite the

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# MURDER!

by  
Helen Rowe

It was early in the morning on March 8 in the year 1904 that two young people were going about their preparations for the day as though it were any other day. They had a lot

in common. Both lived in the village of Erwinna, both were young, both were goodlooking, they had been lovers together.

But this morning there was one great difference. One be-

lieved it was just another Tuesday morning; the other knew it was the last day on earth. One only knew she was going to teach school; the other knew he was going to kill.

The murderer-to-be was 19-year old Paul Weaver. He lived and worked on his parents' farm just outside the village of Erwinna. He had an oval face with sensitive eyes and a dark bang of hair that constantly swept his forehead. He did his early morning chores on that fateful Tuesday without a qualm. To his mother and father, he was his usual obedient hard-working self. After lunch, however, they noticed he did a strange thing,—he went up to his room and changed into his best Sunday clothes. By 2:30 he was outside hitching the horse to the carriage. Without a word he then drove off towards the village. Teenagers did funny things like that, so his parents shrugged and went on about their work. After all, Paul was in love . . . had been in love with pretty Mary Wyker, the 22-year old school teacher of Tinicum township, ever since they'd been in school together. Paul was not a happy boy in love, though, for Mary had been turning him down a lot recently when he'd ask her to the church taffy pull or a sleigh ride. Things were not the same between the two since Mary had returned from college and set to teaching that fall.

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ties seemed, at times, an all-consuming passion.

Through his efforts and cash contributions while he sat on the borough council, a street paving program was initiated. Water pumping and sewage disposal plants and pipelines were acquired.

He was anxious for Bristol to be modernized. He personally spent the sum of \$76,000 for improvement of roads, bridges and rights of way for new streets.

His gifts included financial backing for new parks, a new post office and a war memorial.

Immensely interested in education, he provided scholarships at Drexel Institute and the necessary "time off" to his employees pursuing their studies.

It is said he made many contributions to Washington Crossing State Park and was instrumental in much of the reconstruction at Pennsbury Manor.

Joseph R. Grundy, multi-millionaire man-of-affairs, was a human being of staunch moral courage and strong principles. His unflinching convictions in the face of adversity has won for him a place on the nation's giant Honor Roll.

Did his cause go astray? Was it forgotten in his climb to the top? Was his sensitivity to his people a subterfuge for personal advancement? Was he a Master or a "machine" — a benefactor or a "Boss"?

"I was brought up," he once said, "with old fashioned ideas of doing right, fearing no man and loving my country. I have tried to do all three."

Which one of us can stand in judgment?

Truth often suffers more by the heat of its defenders, than from the arguments of its opposers. — William Penn

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# I Can't Afford A Carriage

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ducted yearly in Newtown and at each sale time, the whole of State street from Jefferson to Green was lined with buggies and wagons for sale.

Then came the advent of the automobile. After the turn of the century, one by one, carriage factories all over the country closed up shop. The more than forty carriage trade associations disbanded. Technical schools for teaching the craft closed. The literature of the carriage trade became dispersed, destroyed or forgotten. By the mid-1920s the carriage and wagon industry was almost extinct. Only a rare concern still exists, such as one in a small town in Indiana who advertises new buggies, carts and surreys built to order in 6 weeks time. Soon this too will go, as even the most rural areas have given up the buggy-ghost.

With factories and even the old specifications and plans all gone, a once-prominent industry is fading into oblivion. The new generation is growing up without any understanding of what the world of the horse-and-carriage was like. Museums exist of nearly every kind of American memorabilia, except for the carriage factory.

Many residents in Newtown harbor the dream that maybe some magic hand can save the crumbling remnants of the Randall Carriage Factory on State street at Jefferson. What a treasure were some historical-god-mother able to save the building and make it into a carriage factory museum! Perhaps even as this is read, it is already too late. The building was sold at auction some months ago. At night the light inside burns . . . not as of old . . . but awaiting some new plans. If this is too late to be saved, many history-loving residents in some other town with the remains of a carriage factory, work towards the end of preservation.

Something similar has been done in England. A few years ago, Sir Garrard Tyrwhitt-Drake persuaded the Corporation of Maidstone in Kent to make a carriage museum of the 14th century stables and coach-house of the Archbishop of Canterbury. It has been done and is now called "The Maidstone Museum of Carriages". There is still a need somewhere for a carriage factory museum.

If Bucks County could contribute this, or any town in America, it might bring to the young eye and heart a small idea of the incomparable thrill of hearing or seeing a horse-drawn vehicle clomping and careening along the roads. This surely was part of that fast-moving, strong stuff of which America is still made.

(Ed. Note — At Hopewell Village National Park, near Pottstown, many carriages are on display in the barns. They have little to do with the rest of the exhibits at Hopewell Village, but a mighty fine collection. Persons interested in seeing carriages still used, need only drive out Route 30 toward Lancaster. The Amish and some Mennonites still drive carriages, although they are all very "plain".)

## MAN WITH A MISSION

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fact that he had presented the proclamation document some weeks before to his cabinet. Every single member voted against it. But now, the pact was with his God, not man. The answer was plain. The South was pushed back.

Lincoln called together his cabinet and told them of his pact. "I determined as soon as it (the rebel army) should be driven out of Maryland, to issue a Proclamation of Emancipation . . . I made a promise to myself . . . and . . . to my Maker. The rebel army is driven out, and I am going to fulfill that promise. I have got you together to hear what I have written down. I do not wish your advice about the main matter, for that I have determined for myself."

Lincoln was acting on behalf of his undeniable mission against all human odds.

Three months after, on January 1, 1863, Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation. The negro was free.

Sparks flew from every quarter more than ever. The administration was accused of a "fanatical love for the negro . . . willing to violate the Constitution, rob the tax-payer and wrong the white laborer for the sake of the African race." Even religious men denounced emancipation as the attempt to "amalgamate to-

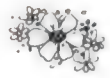
gether two races in violation of God's will!" Newspapers carried notices such as the following in the Doylestown Democrat in Bucks County.

"Know well enough that if slaves of the South are cast loose upon the North — either by emancipation, confiscation, or any other act you please — that their employment would be materially if not entirely cut off within cannon shot of Newtown Hall, Byberry Hall, Pineville Hall and Langhorn's Hill."

From other quarters the president received glowing support. As one New York newspaper put it, "We are now putting the axe to the root . . ."

Yet still the war went darkly for the North. A vast sin still needed to be removed . . . more than a proclamation declaring freedom for the slave. An acknowledgement of the sin of slavery was needed and the general acceptance of its removal. That slavery was a sin was a deep-rooted fact in Lincoln's mind. At Richmond following the evacuation of that city in early April of '65, Lincoln walked its streets, followed by negroes swarming about him in gratitude. "My

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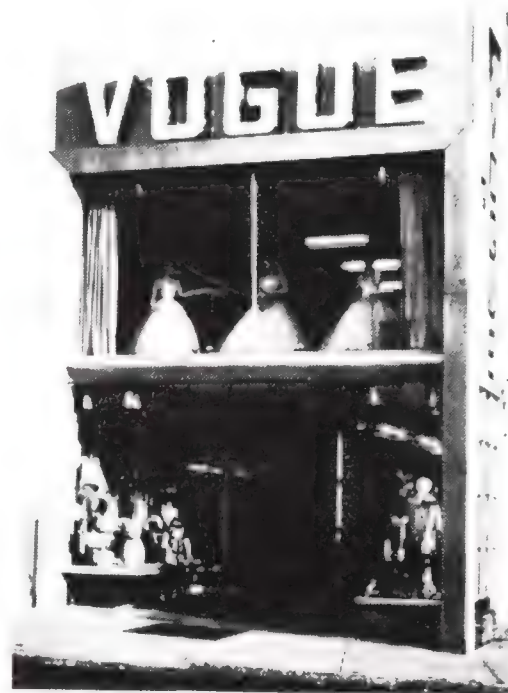


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poor friends," he said, you are free... Liberty is your birthright. God gave it to you as he gave it to others, and it is a sin that you have been deprived of it for so many years."

The sin of the acceptance of slavery haunted Lincoln. He could not rest until he had, with God's help, thrown light into this dark passage. He once said to a minister visiting him in the last days of '62, "I told myself... as an instrument of Providence. I have my convictions of duty, and my notions of what is right to be done..."

I see now in the light of this our national struggle as I have never seen before. God only knows the issue of this business. He has destroyed nations from the maps of history for their sins. Nevertheless, my hopes prevail generally above my fears for our Republic. The times are dark, the spirits of ruin are abroad in all their power, and the mercy of God alone can save us."

A few months after he spoke these words, President Lincoln took another unprecedented step. He proclaimed a National Fast Day. He issued a proclamation declaring April 30th, 1863 a "day of National prayer, fasting and humiliation in acknowledgment of our great sin as a people."

Some quarters were silent. Others picked up the command in understanding and humiliation. Everywhere towns and countries of the loyal states reacted in observing the Day of Fast. The day was a Thursday, but with places of business generally closed and the churches filled, it took on the air of a solemn Sunday. The Bucks County Intelligencer reported the National Fast Day in Bucks County.

"In Bristol, Newtown, Doylestown, New Hope and Lambertville places of business were mostly closed — appropriate discourses were delivered in various churches. The whole population appeared conscious of our dependence upon the favor and compassion of a kind Providence as the means of deliverance from national trouble."

Typical of words from pulpits all over the North were the sermons of two ministers in Bucks. The Reverend S. M. Andrews of the Presbyterian church in Doylestown said, "As a nation we have become boastful of our strength and

security, oppressing and robbing the poor Indian and despoiling him of his territory and making gold our idol and forgetting God." He then referred to "our great absorbing national sin — that of holding in bondage several millions of God's creatures..."

From the pulpit of the Doylestown Episcopal church came the pronouncement, "God's judgments upon nations are for their reformation or for their destruction... our present desolating war... is the righteous visitation of the vengeance of God upon us for our national sins... We cannot hope for relief until we repent and put away the sin. Unless we as a nation and people and individually are intent upon this — the setting apart and observance of a Day of National Fasting and Prayer is nothing better than a mockery." He then concluded with the core of Abraham Lincoln's contention, "Unless the great mass of the people acknowledge this wrong (slavery) and become willing for its removal, the desolation will not be stayed!"

Two months later after a crushing defeat at Chancellorsville and an invading push by General Lee into Pennsylvania, the North got up from its knees. It held the line at Round Top and Little Round Top and Cemetery Hill and threw back Pickett's charge at Gettysburg. On July 4th, Lee withdrew. The North had a great victory! That same day President Lincoln put out a Proclamation of Gratitude... "The President announces to the country... news from the army... a great success to the cause of the Union... for this he especially desires that on this day, He... be everywhere remembered and ever revered with profound gratitude."

Lincoln spoke to some friends later about this crucial period. "On many a defeated battlefield there was a voice louder than the thundering of cannon. It was the voice of God crying 'Let my people go.' We were all very slow in realizing that it was God's voice, but after many humiliating defeats the nation came to believe it as a great and solemn command... Since that the God of battles has been on our side."

Within a year, General Lee had surrendered at Appomattox.

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# Murder!

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While Paul was driving with thin determined hands and gaunt staring eyes towards the little Union schoolhouse, a revolver weighing his worn Sunday-Best suit pocket through as he jogged along, Mary Wyker was doing nothing so consequential. She was sweeping out the schoolroom with a well-worn broom and smiling to herself over the antics of some of her pupils that day.

Through the silence there was a sound outside. Carriage wheels crunched over the frozen twigs winter had strewn about. She leaned the broom in a corner, and gathered a strand of lustrous dark hair back into the heap at the crown of her head. She peeked through the open door.

It was Paul.

Dear, sweet Paul. Dear wearisome Paul was here again. Well, it seemed nothing would discourage his attentions, though heaven knows she'd tried. Right now, however, with the March winds snapping along the river's edge, his carriage was a welcome sight.

"Want a ride part way home?" he was calling. His thin face looked even thinner today, she thought. Mary grabbed her shawl, pulled it over her shoulders with a benign smile as much as to say: thanks, Paul, I appreciate the lift. . . . but it won't do you any good! I still can't love you anymore!

The carriage drove as thoughtfully as its driver. Mary kept from looking at Paul because she thought it best. But she did think he was unusually quiet. She almost wished he'd blurt out something vitriolic and get it all over with once and for all.

But he said nothing. They rode along in silence. She began to wonder what the Furnaces would be serving for supper . . . it was the best-feeding boarding house in those parts. Paul was wondering at just precisely what moment in time or what point along the road he should kill her.

Ahead lay the crossroads. To the right a road dropped down towards the Delaware; to the left it wound up a steep hill towards Erwinna and Frenchtown.

Mary gathered her wool shawl tighter about her high-

collared throat, slipped the drawstrings of her reticule over one wrist, and looked at Paul with delicately-arched brows. Her full round face beamed towards him for a moment like a pale daytime moon. "Thank you, Paul. I'll get out here and walk the rest of the way. You've been very kind. . . ." She slipped one buttoned boot out of the buggy step and alighted. Paul dropped the reins, snatched the gun from his pocket and fired. The bullet drove into Mary's back. She screamed and turned horrified. He fired again. She grabbed her stomach, the dainty reticule swinging from her wrist as though she were on a dance floor. He fired again, the bullet stinging into her leg. She crumpled.

In a moment there was no sound but the crunching of the carriage wheels on the frost-bitten road.

Mary did not die then. She was a girl of strength and determination. She dragged herself a quarter of a mile back to the Furnace house, leaning from fence post to fence post. Pulling her weight from tree trunk to tree trunk. In one final burst of agony she dragged up the stairs and into her bedroom where she collapsed on her bed. Mrs. Furnace found her there shortly afterwards and called Dr. Harman of Frenchtown. He came as fast as buggy wheels could take him and removed two of the bullets. But he knew immediately that nothing could save Mary Wyker. She was dying.

Paul Weaver drove straight home. It was about 5:30 in the evening when he got there. He unhitched the horse and put him in the stable. His father was just trudging towards the house at that moment. Mr. Weaver looked back over his shoulder. He stared at the boy a moment, then plodded on. "Hurry along, boy . . . it's suppertime."

But Paul never saw that supper. He went up to the second story of the barn, pulled a half peck measure kept in the granary there over to a place beneath an oak beam and stepped up on it. He tied a rope to the beam and a noose end about his neck. He took a firm grip on the revolver in his pocket and shot squarely into his right temple, careening off the measure as he did so.

Only minutes later his father came looking for him and found him hanging there, still

warm, the blood oozing from his temple. The boy made sure his suicide would succeed.

The end of that week Erwinna saw two funerals. The townsfolk crowded first into one, then the other.

Mary and Paul shared one other thing in common . . . death.

Mrs. Weaver wept and said over and over words which have come from a murderer's mother's lips so many, many times. "I can't understand why he did it! Paul was always such a good boy. He never smoked, drank, or travelled with bad company. . . ."

The Bucks County Intelligencer wrote it up that week under the simple heading: *Double Tragedy at Erwinna.*

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In so saying did not Abraham Lincoln give us each a mission... as lovers of liberty everywhere to join in the good work of keeping the freedom of the world so that millions of free, happy people the world over, shall continue to rise up and call us blessed to the latest generations?





Bucks County has many picturesque and well known spots for dining and entertainment. Perhaps one of the best known is The Doylestown Inn's "Jug In The Wall" bar. An actual old jug has been built right into the wall, and water comes out of the mouth of the jug, making an unusual conversation piece from a water spigot. Shown here mixing a cocktail is Innkeeper Archie Liebowitz.

(Photo by Richard Kaplinski)

## Dining Out In Bucks

Celebrities, scenery and good restaurants are three of the things that have carried the name of Bucks County to the far flung corners of the world. In presenting a "panorama of Bucks County", we at Panorama Magazine felt we must present some more information on the fine culinary art as it is practiced here in Bucks County.

Naturally, just because a restaurant is located in Bucks County with some picturesque setting, does not necessarily mean the food is excellent, good or even passable. Many persons who visit us here in Bucks, plus "us home folks" often wonder about a certain restaurant, or have a yen for "something different". We can't afford to go all over the county trying out restaurants to find one we like. Thus, this special series of articles.

Panorama has no intention of setting itself up as a "Michigan Guide" and we will not rate a restaurant. Each month we will list and review some of the finer restaurants, tell their specialties, atmosphere, entertainment, etc. This feature will not be a paid advertisement for a restaurant. This will be our candid opinion. Many will

not agree. However, it will be impossible for a restaurant to "buy their way" into this column. We will select restaurants of our own choosing or by reader suggestion.

We further feel that "If you can't say something nice, say nothing at all". Restaurants that are a disappointment or are not "worth their salt", will not be written up. We invite your comments and suggestions on this series.

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everything there has a story behind it—and it usually does.

The Water Wheel has quite a history behind it, which was written in Panorama some months back. Today we concern ourselves with the food.

Here is a subject that could take us days to tell. The food is wonderful, pleasantly served, and moderately priced. A well balanced a la carte menu that is designed to please one and all. Steaks, Prime Ribs, Lamb, and Sea Food Specialties (try the Jumbo Shrimp Cocktail). Onion soup is a house specialty, and every meal should include some. Ask Host Corcoran to select a dinner wine for you. A well balanced wine list including some of the finer French and German wines, as well as the best American vintages, is available.

For historical interest, wonderful food, a charming atmosphere, and a very pleasant evening, you won't go wrong at the Water Wheel Inn.

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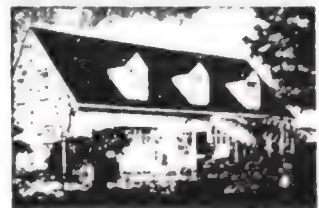
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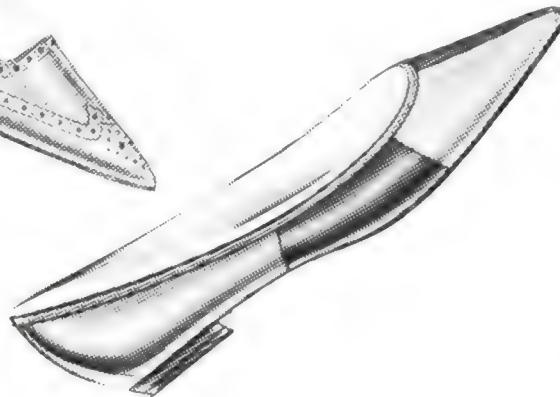
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Of the 57 remaining covered wooden bridges at least one is located in each of the following 19 counties: Adams, Bedford, Berks, Bucks, Chester, Clinton, Columbia, Cumberland, Dauphin, Erie, Greene, Juniata, Lancaster, Lehigh, Northampton, Northumberland, Perry, Sullivan and Washington.

The oldest bridge in use is in Allen Township, Northampton County. It has a span of 96 feet on Legislative Route 48061 and crosses Hokendaqua Creek. It was built in 1840. The newest, built in 1902, is between Harrison and Napier Townships, Bedford County. It carries L.R. 05097 across the Raystown Branch of the Juniata River, on a 130-foot span.

Adams and Columbia Counties have seven covered bridges standing, although two in Columbia County will soon be replaced by modern structures.

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After a winter that seemed to never end, we are finally in the spring season, and summer is just around the corner. We were beginning to think that there would be no spring or summer this year, what with all the snow and ice and really uncalled for miserable weather. Just think, soon we will be complaining about all the heat and humidity, and longing for the cold days past. Guess that's human nature.

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Thanks to Philadelphia Radio Station WIP disc jockey JIM TATE for the nice remarks on his popular radio show about Panorama. After reading an issue of Panorama, Jim was surprised to see that Bucks County was so beautiful and urged all his listeners to come visit Bucks County (and buy a Panorama).

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We had a telephone call from HOWARD ARNOLD of the Greater Bucks County Fair recently telling us of some of the fine entertainment signed to appear at this year's Fair. One of the persons signed to appear was HAWK-SHAW HAWKINS, who unfortunately was killed in an accident later that week. Still slated to appear, though, is MINNIE PEARL and other top stars of "Grand Old Opry". The Fair promises to be "really big" this year, so best mark the date on your calendar, (August 20 to 24) so it won't conflict with vacations, etc. You won't want to miss it. There are booths available for commercial, industrial and fraternal organizations who wish a display. Howard Arnold in Silverdale is the man with the information on that.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Sheriff and Mrs. HAROLD DANDO, "the newlyweds of North Main Street". Mrs. Dando is the former Mrs. Reynolds of Doylestown. The couple took a short honeymoon trip to Florida. Best of luck to these nice people.

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Philadelphia no longer has the corner on singing talent. A 15 year old gal from nearby Lansdale, PEGGY MARCH, is really making a name for herself in music circles. Her new record "I Will Follow Him", recorded on RCA Victor records, is taking its place in the top hits of the day. It was a "pick-hit-of-the-week" on WABC in New York, and made the best selling charts all over the country. Congratulations to this little local Miss, and we wish her all the success!

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Sometime later this month, Panorama Magazine will move into its new home in "The Panorama Building" at 354 N. Main Street, Doylestown. Extensive alterations are now going on to prepare the building for us. The continued growth of Panorama Magazine, and the other publications published by Panorama made the move necessary. An "Open House Day" is planned for sometime in May. Watch next month's Panorama for the date.

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Our good friend GEORGE LYNCH of Southampton has just recently been promoted to Commanding Officer of Company "D", Pennsylvania National Guard, with headquarters at The Armory on Shewell Avenue, Doylestown. George told us there are a few vacancies in the local guard unit, and interested applicants should call or stop in at the Armory. Company "D" goes on their annual two week encampment in June of this year.

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## Around Town

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Dr. READING H. RUFÉ of Chalfont has been appointed Medical Director of Neshaminy Manor Home, Bucks County's Home for the Aged. Much new equipment and physical improvements of the medical facilities were completed recently.

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An Open House Tour of eight old Bucks County homes between Historic Fallsington and Washington Crossing Park, Pennsylvania, will be held on Saturday, October 12th, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., \$2.50 per person. The event will be sponsored by Historic Fallsington, Inc., a non-profit corporation dedicated to the preservation of this colonial village.

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Bucks County High Schools are turning out some fine students these days as evidenced in the report that reached us recently from Delaware Valley College. Eight Bucks County students attending the college were on the Dean's List for the Fall Semester. Three of these Bucks County students attained a perfect academic rating of a straight "A" average. (Only 6 students in the school achieved this honor, and three (3) were from Bucks!) They are: BRYAN M. GEBHARDT, Doylestown; EDWIN G. BISHOP, Perkasie; and CLARENCE G. MYERS, Chalfont. Other local students who made the Dean's List include, JAMES K. FEE, Washington Crossing; JOSEPH J. BEITZ, Edison; L. WILLIAM KLEMENTISZ, JR., Perkasie; HENRY E. McCARTER, Bristol; and JOHN H. PRICKETT, Warrington. Congratulations to these boys, they deserve it!

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Planning a nite "on the town"? There are many local spots offering entertainment on weekends that you might want to visit. The Gobbler's in Point Pleasant offers "The Dixieland All Stars", one of the top area groups; Eddie King's in New Hope offers feature "DERF NOLDE" and his Dixieland Band; Twist bands may be found at The Rendezvous in New Hope; WILMA KUMMER entertains on the accordion and organ at The Doylestown Inn, and many other spots feature small groups and piano music. There's lots to do in Bucks County, all year round.

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"MISS CENTRAL BUCKS" will be crowned later this month at a "Miss America" Pageant preliminary to be held at Central Bucks High School in Doylestown. The affair, sponsored by the Chalfont-New Britain Jaycees will be held on April 20th. Ticket information, as well as girls interested in entering the pageant, should contact DICK BACH, Jaycee Chairman at 348-9988 or JACK HUDAK, Jaycee President at 822-0707, or any member of the club. It will be an affair you won't want to miss. Remember, Miss Bucks County for last year, LINDA BERLINGER, came from Central Bucks County.

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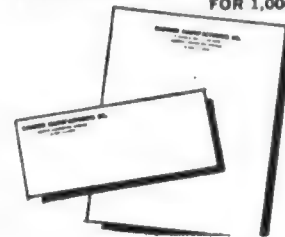
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Jim ... on tour

Tinicum's JAMES MICHER has been tapped for duty by the Kennedy Administration in Washington to do an analysis of "how the war is going in South Viet Nam." Jim was the unsuccessful Democratic candidate for congress in last fall's election. Another book is in the works, about a girl's view of a small Pennsylvania town. Jim states it's "non-political".

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The Delaware Valley Philharmonic Orchestra will hold their last concert for the 1962-63 season on Saturday evening April 6, 1963 at 8 PM. HENRY KERR WILLIAMS is Music Director and Conductor, and the guest artist for the evening will be ELLSWORTH L. E. MOYER, JR. who will play Mozart's Violin Concerto in A major. An open house will follow the concert. Concerts are held at The Woodrow Wilson High School, Levittown.

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The students at Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture will present their annual science and agriculture show, "A" Day on April 27th and 28th. This is well worth a visit if you've never been to an "A" Day before. There is no admission charge.

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Recently, while reading the English magazine "PUNCH", we were amused to read the short review of Mike Ellis' play "Come Blow Your Horn", now playing in London. The review states, quote, "Come Blow Your Horn — a second-rate American farcial comedy." The show played on Broadway, has a London company, a road company, and is being made into a movie. We bet Mike Ellis wishes he had a few more "second rate farcial comedies" on the boards.

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## Rambling With Russ

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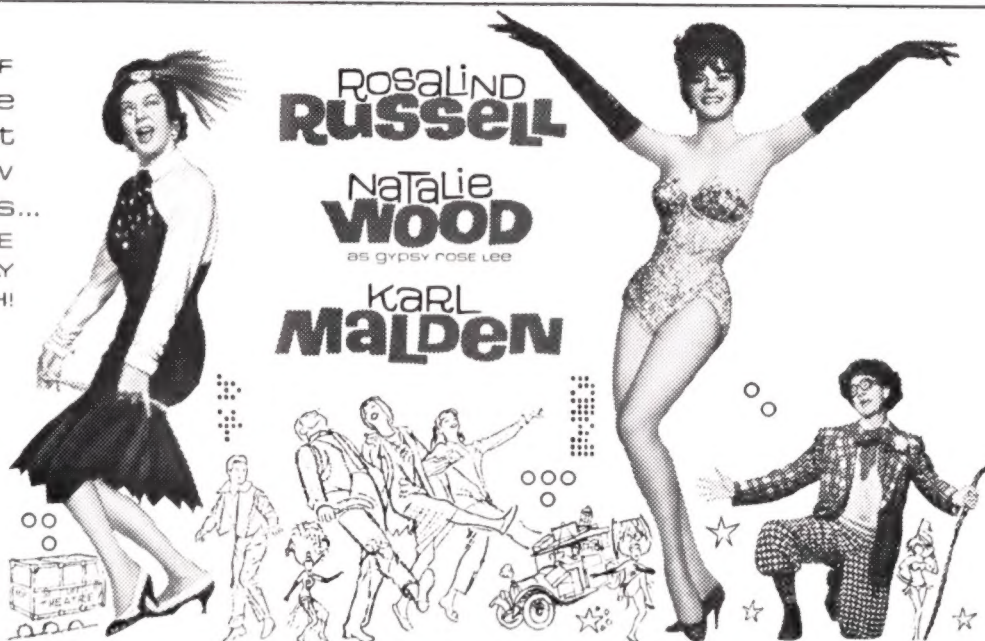
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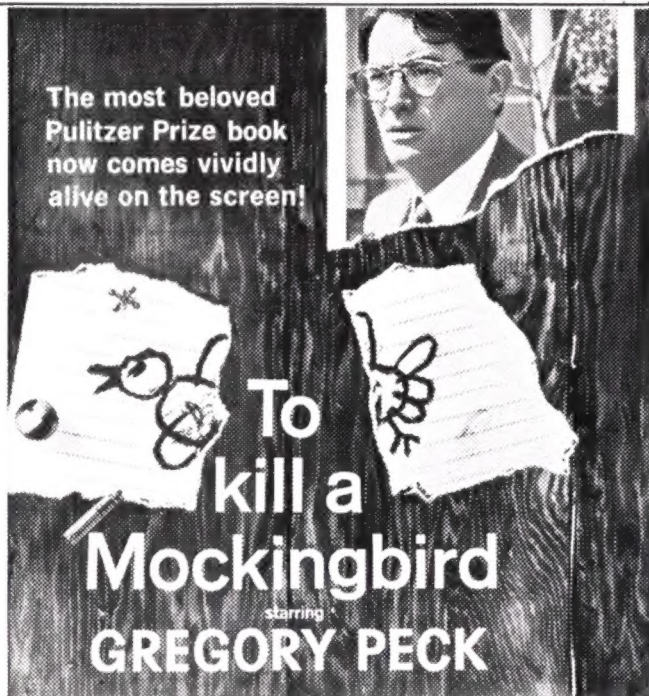
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